

Table 1. Farms, Land in Farms, and Land Use: 1974 and 1969

	All farms		Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over	
	1974	1969	1974	1969
All farms number	1 312	1 471	1 067	953
Land in farms acres	241 559	244 799	228 412	211 774
Average size of farm acres	184	166	214	222
Approximate land area acres	294 464	294 464	294 464	294 464
Proportion in farms percent	82.0	83.1	77.6	71.9
Value of land and buildings \$1,000	149 835	82 803	141 096	69 733
Average per farm dollars	114 203	56 290	132 236	73 172
Average per acre dollars	620	338	618	329
Farms by size:				
1 to 9 acres	34	54	19	24
10 to 49 acres	211	260	96	52
50 to 69 acres	149	121	102	43
70 to 99 acres	176	186	133	99
100 to 139 acres	155	224	143	143
140 to 179 acres	117	135	113	110
180 to 219 acres	104	116	99	112
220 to 259 acres	71	75	68	73
260 to 499 acres	205	234	204	232
500 to 999 acres	79	62	79	61
1,000 to 1,999 acres	11	4	11	4
2,000 acres and over	-	-	-	-

	Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over	
	1974	1969
Other cropland farms	258	(NA)
..... acres	5 706	27 101
Cropland in cover crops, legumes, and soil-improvement grasses, not harvested and not pastured farms	122	322
..... acres	2 367	12 465
Cropland on which all crops failed farms	37	39
..... acres	704	585
Cropland in cultivated summer fallow farms	24	75
..... acres	603	3 044
Cropland idle farms	115	284
..... acres	2 032	11 007
Total woodland farms	586	574
..... acres	21 401	20 737
Woodland pastured farms	293	319
..... acres	8 623	10 540

	Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over	
	1974	1969
Total woodland - Continued		
Woodland not pastured farms	410	365
..... acres	12 778	10 197
Other land farms	870	(NA)
..... acres	24 092	23 748
Pastureland and rangeland, other than cropland and woodland pasture farms	296	316
..... acres	11 143	12 322
Improved pastureland and rangeland farms	121	131
..... acres	3 773	5 000
Unimproved pastureland and rangeland farms	193	211
..... acres	7 370	7 322
Land in houselots, barnlots, ponds, roads, wasteland, etc. farms	829	758
..... acres	12 949	11 426

Table 2. Farm Operators—Tenure and Characteristics: 1974 and 1969

	All farms		Farms with sales of \$2,500 and over	
	1974	1969	1974	1969
All farm operators number	1 312	1 471	1 067	953
Land in farms acres	241 559	244 799	228 412	211 774
Harvested cropland acres	165 736	131 943	161 580	122 139
Farms by tenure of farm operator:				
Full owners number	823	946	607	514
Land in farms acres	92 847	109 477	81 821	82 409
Harvested cropland acres	56 480	48 058	53 160	41 398
Part owners number	328	303	317	259
Land in farms acres	108 979	87 214	107 992	84 106
Harvested cropland acres	81 817	52 924	81 688	51 313
Tenants number	161	222	143	180
Land in farms acres	39 733	48 108	38 599	45 259
Harvested cropland acres	27 439	30 961	26 732	29 428
Percent of tenancy	12.3	15.0	13.4	18.8
Black and other races, see text—				
Farm operators by tenure: ¹				
All farm operators number	3	(NA)	3	3
Land in farms acres	202	(NA)	202	294
Harvested cropland acres	132	(NA)	132	214
Full owners number	3	(NA)	3	2
Land in farms acres	202	(NA)	202	158
Harvested cropland acres	132	(NA)	132	91
Part owners number	-	(NA)	-	-
Land in farms acres	-	(NA)	-	-
Harvested cropland acres	-	(NA)	-	-
Tenants number	-	(NA)	-	1
Land in farms acres	-	(NA)	-	136
Harvested cropland acres	-	(NA)	-	123
Percent of tenancy	-	(NA)	-	33.3
Farms by type of organization:				
Individual or family number	(NA)	(NA)	931	772
Land in farms acres	(NA)	(NA)	188 953	161 283
Farms by type of organization—Con.				
Partnership number	(NA)	(NA)	129	175
Land in farms acres	(NA)	(NA)	35 688	48 940
Corporation number	(NA)	(NA)	6	3
Land in farms acres	(NA)	(NA)	3 345	1 065
Other number	(NA)	(NA)	1	3
..... acres	(NA)	(NA)	426	486
Farm operators by age group: ²				
Under 25 years	31	52	30	28
25 to 34 years	186	195	150	121
35 to 44 years	265	279	239	167
45 to 54 years	326	417	228	292
55 to 64 years	289	317	233	217
65 years and over	208	211	180	128
Average age	49.7	49.2	49.7	49.6
Farm operators by place of residence: ²				
On farm operated	898	1 127	762	792
On another farm number	95	-	64	-
Land in farms acres	37	217	32	97
In a rural area, not on a farm	-	-	62	-
In a city, town, or urban area	103	-	62	-
Farm operators reporting days of work off farm: ²				
None	422	(NA)	394	(NA)
1 to 49 days number	53	154	36	118
Land in farms acres	21	52	19	45
50 to 99 days	40	-	35	-
100 to 149 days	38	96	35	57
150 to 199 days	-	-	-	-
200 days and over	494	592	337	257
Farm operators by principal occupation: ²				
Farming	752	(NA)	690	(NA)
Other	553	(NA)	370	(NA)
Farm operators reporting utilization of futures market	(NA)	(NA)	30	(NA)
Farm operators reporting agricultural contracts	(NA)	(NA)	78	(NA)

¹1969 data are only for farms operated by Blacks. ²1974 data apply only to individual or family operations (sole proprietorships) and partnerships; see text.

Table 11. Irrigation and Commercial Fertilizer on Pastureland and Harvested Crops for Farms With Sales of \$2,500 and Over: 1974 and 1969—Continued

	Farms	Acres	Quantity	Irrigated land		Commercial fertilizer used					
				Farms	Acres	Total		Dry		Liquid	
						Farms	Acres	Farms	Tons	Farms	Tons
Berries for sale	2	6	(X)	1	1	1	2	1	2	-	-
1969	3	79	(X)	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nursery and greenhouse products	8	18	(X)	1	2	1	2	1	(Z)	-	-
1969	6	23	(X)	-	-	2	2	2	1	-	-
Other crops	8	177	(X)	-	-	8	177	7	40	3	11

Table 12. Agricultural Chemicals Used and Cost of Materials for Farms With Sales of \$2,500 and Over: 1974 and 1969

	1974		1969			1974		1969	
	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres		Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres
Total chemical costs, including fertilizer and lime	915		862		Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc. to control—Con.				
lime	\$1,000	4 139	1 238		Diseases in crops and orchards	11		8	
Commercial fertilizer	893		788		acres on which used	500		322	
acres on which used	103 402		73 623		\$1,000	15		3	
tons	18 683		12 378		Weeds or grass in crops	460		447	
\$1,000	3 223		1 001		acres on which used	69 156		38 982	
Lime	89		116		\$1,000	663		145	
acres on which used	4 658		4 545		Weeds or brush in pasture	5		18	
tons	10 653		10 202		acres on which used	91		186	
\$1,000	67		45		\$1,000	1		1	
Sprays, dusts, granules, fumigants, etc. to control—					Weeds on all other land	18		(NA)	
Insects on hay crops	45		92		acres on which used	125		(NA)	
acres on which used	1 260		3 375		\$1,000	1		(NA)	
\$1,000	5		11		Chemicals for defoliation or for growth control				
Insects on other crops	126		118		of crops or thinning of fruit	4		10	
acres on which used	16 730		8 543		acres on which used	134		332	
\$1,000	110		21		\$1,000	1		1	
Nematodes in crops	6		1		Insect control on livestock and poultry	58		166	
acres on which used	371		116		\$1,000	4		8	
\$1,000	4		1		Other chemicals (see text)	105		(NA)	
					\$1,000	44		(NA)	

Table 13. Irrigation, Artificial Drainage, and Artificial Ponds for Farms With Sales of \$2,500 and Over: 1974 and 1969

	1974		1969			1974		1969	
	Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres		Farms	Acres	Farms	Acres
Farms irrigated in census year	3		-		Land irrigated by—Continued				
Proportion of farms	0.3		-		Self-propelled sprinkler systems	-		(NA)	
Total land irrigated	10		-		acres	-		(NA)	
Average per farm	3.3		-		Other sprinkler systems	3		(NA)	
Cropland irrigated	3		-		acres	10		(NA)	
Harvested cropland irrigated	3		-		Land in irrigated farms	253		-	
acres	10		-		Cropland	228		-	
Cropland pasture irrigated	-		-		Harvested cropland	170		-	
Other cropland irrigated	-		(NA)		Farms not irrigated in 1974 but irrigated				
Pasture irrigated, other than cropland pasture	-		-		between 1970 and 1973	-		(X)	
acres	-		-		acres irrigated in most recent year	-		(X)	
Estimated quantity of irrigation water applied	8		-		Farms with artificial drainage	339		482	
Average per acre irrigated	0.8		-		Proportion of farms	31.8		50.5	
Land irrigated by—			(NA)		Land in farms with drainage	97 914		127 657	
Furrows or ditches	-		(NA)		Land drained	62 759		80 306	
acres	-		(NA)		Average per farm	185.1		166.6	
					Artificial ponds, pits, reservoirs, and earthen				
					tanks	104		(NA)	
					number	145		(NA)	
					acres	134		(NA)	

Table 14. Farm Credit for Farms With Sales of \$2,500 and Over: 1974

	Farms	\$1,000	Total operator debt		Secured by real estate		Not secured by real estate	
			Farms	\$1,000	Farms	\$1,000	Farms	\$1,000
Farms with debt owed by farm operator (see text)			481		373		305	
			16 681		11 499		5 182	
Farms by size of debt owed:								
Under \$5,000			47		34		103	
\$5,000 to \$9,999			83		84		52	
\$10,000 to \$29,999			167		120		94	
\$30,000 to \$49,999			79		67		38	
\$50,000 and over			105		68		18	

Table 15. Payroll and Employment for Farms With Sales of \$2,500 and Over: 1974 and 1969

	Farms		Workers		Dollars (1,000)		Total	1974 hired farm workers working—		
	1974	1969	1974	1969	1974	1969		150 days or more	25 to 149 days	Less than 25 days
Hired farm workers working—										
150 days or more	76	64	116	83	444		356	76	101	267
25 to 149 days	101	482	199	1 537	174		742	444	174	123
Less than 25 days	267		960		123		1 275	116	199	960
Total contract labor	22	32	(NA)	(NA)	20	20				
Farms reporting number of contract workers furnished by contractor	7	(NA)	16	(NA)	4	(NA)				
Farms with—										
1 worker			54		58		157	54	58	122
2 workers			15		26		58	15	26	37
3 or 4 workers			3		12		46	3	12	34
5 to 9 workers			4		3		69	4	3	53
10 workers and over			-		2		26	-	2	21